

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
McALLEN DIVISION**

United States District Court  
Southern District of Texas  
FILED

JAN 16 2018

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

v.

**JOEL SANCHEZ, JR.**

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**Criminal No.**

**M - 18 - 0074**

**David J. Bradley, Clerk**

**INDICTMENT**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:**

**Count One**

On or about December 9, 2017, in the Southern District of Texas and within the jurisdiction of the Court, defendant,

**JOEL SANCHEZ, JR.**

knowing and in reckless disregard of the fact that individuals, who were aliens, had come to, entered and remained in the United States in violation of law, did knowingly and intentionally conspire and agree with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jurors to transport and move said aliens within the United States in furtherance of such violation of law, that is, from a location near Penitas, Texas, to another location near Penitas, Texas, by means of a motor vehicle.

In violation of Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)(I), 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), and 1324(a)(1)(B)(i).

**Count Two**

On or about December 9, 2017, in the Southern District of Texas and within the jurisdiction of the Court, defendant,

**JOEL SANCHEZ, JR.**

knowing and in reckless disregard of the fact that Ana Liliam Rivas-Posada was an alien who had come to, entered, and remained in the United States in violation of law, did knowingly transport, move, attempt to transport, and attempt to move said alien within the United States in furtherance of such violation of law, that is, from a location near Penitas, Texas, to another location near

Penitas, Texas, by means of a motor vehicle, for the purpose of commercial advantage and private financial gain.

In violation of Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)(II), and 1324(a)(1)(B)(i).

**Count Three**

On or about December 9, 2017, in the Southern District of Texas and within the jurisdiction of the Court, defendant,

**JOEL SANCHEZ, JR.**

knowing and in reckless disregard of the fact that Selvin Ramon Giron-Miranda was an alien who had come to, entered, and remained in the United States in violation of law, did knowingly transport, move, attempt to transport, and attempt to move said alien within the United States in furtherance of such violation of law, that is, from a location near Penitas, Texas, to another location near Penitas, Texas, by means of a motor vehicle, for the purpose of commercial advantage and private financial gain.

In violation of Title 8, United States Code, Sections 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)(II), and 1324(a)(1)(B)(i).

A TRUE BILL

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FOREPERSON

RYAN K. PATRICK  
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

  
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY